Honor Our Nation's Seniors in May During Older Americans Month

Please join CMS in recognizing <u>Older Americans Month</u>—a time to honor the many contributions of our nation's seniors, celebrate their successes, and recommit to supporting them as they shape America's next great generation. Older Americans are living longer and are more active than ever before, yet they are some of our most vulnerable citizens.

This year's theme, "Never Too Old to Play", encourages older Americans to stay active in their own lives and in their communities. We know that preventing disease before it starts helps people live longer, healthier lives. As a result of the Affordable Care Act, more seniors are taking advantage of preventive services covered by Medicare, without cost-sharing. Each office visit is an opportunity to ensure that your Medicare patients are aware of the preventive services covered by Medicare that are appropriate for them. Together we can help our older Americans live longer, and age healthy in their homes and communities.

More Information for Healthcare Professionals:

- HHS Secretary News Release on Older Americans Month
- CMS Prevention General Information website
- Medicare Coverage Database
- MLN Preventive Services Educational Products
- Medicare.gov Preventive Services website

Thank you for supporting Older Americans Month – it's "Never Too Old to Play"!